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IMPLEMENTING PERSISTENCE IN  
TRADER SERVICES ASSOCIATED WITH  
A COMPUTER SYSTEM

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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Applicants acknowledge receipt of the Final Office Action dated November 5, 2003. By a separate document enclosed herein, Applicants have petitioned for a 1-month extension of time to respond to this office action. Applicants request entry of this response and the corresponding Request for Continued Examination which has been filed prior to the 1 month extended due date of March 5, 2004.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. Claims 2, 3, 4, 7, 9 and 10 are in original form. Claims 1, 5, 6 and 8 have been amended. The changes made are shown by underlining the added text and striking through the deleted text.